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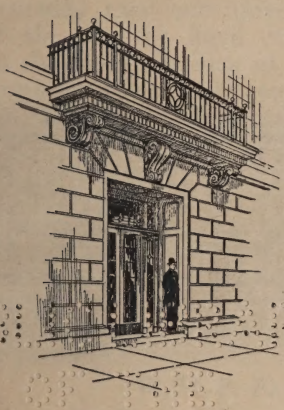

The New University Club of Boston

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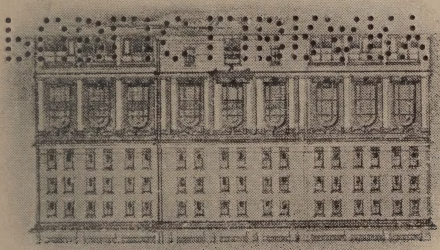

A Message

Back of the movement for a new University Club in Boston is a broader purpose than the creation of more athletic, club, or hotel facilities for a part of the community. This thought is well expressed in the following letters.

A New Sphere

"I am persuaded that our university clubs throughout the country have erred in not bringing to the front the idea of the service of the community and the country at large. If the university clubs are merely social — simply for the purpose of providing food and lodging and comfortable chairs — their existence has only a doubtful justification. But if they are to bring together the men of many colleges in order to achieve, through the intimacies of personal friendship, coöperation in the service of the country, then they will occupy a sphere that no other organization is attempting to enter."

W. H. P. Faunce,
President of Brown University.

Supplementing the College

"The sentimental interest of an alumnus in the college of his time, whether of 1849, 1876 or 1915, may be an emotional joy to himself but it is of little advantage to his college or to the society which his college strives to serve unless it is supplemented by an interest in and intelligent judgment of the college of 1924.

"It strikes me that a university club adequate for the needs of such a college center as is Boston may become tremendously helpful to all colleges by affording, among other things, the time, the place, and the equipment periodically for the considerations of present day college problems and policies."

Ernest M. Hopkins,
President of Darmouth College.

In the Interest of Education

"It is certainly of supreme importance that there be a new club of this kind in Boston. Not only good fellowship and community of social interests but the interests of higher education in a narrower sense will be promoted in a very marked way by such an organization."

GEORGE D. OLDS,
President of Amherst College.

A Broader Intercourse

"There is, I think, no large city in the country which needs more an institution of this character than our own beloved Boston. We have the glorious traditions of the past, but life has lost much of its flexibility, and we lack to a degree those means of social intercourse between men of various shades of opinion which promotes broad sympathies.

"The New University Club will fill a definite want among us. It will be much more than a place where men of education gather together to enjoy a social hour. It will be a center from which will radiate an influence born of a better understanding and of the action of mind on mind.

"The end of education is not knowing, but doing. College life is, or should be, a conscious preparation for private and public duty in the world. Whatever agency will help us to apply these ideals to their purposes in action is surely of a high order. This your New University Club will do. I look for it to be an organization of forward looking men who are bound together by ties of learning, by mutual respect, and by an effectual desire to contribute whenever possible to those things which touch and benefit the common circumstances of life."

REV. WILLIAM DEVLIN,
President of Boston College.

If there is an individual obligation to amount to something in life, then there is a collective obligation when there are college men living together to do the same thing. Obviously, this cannot be done without organization. That is the situation which gave rise to the University Club movement in Boston. Here we have one of the largest college communities in the country, each group with little or no contact with one another, seriously endeavoring to perpetuate certain ideals of early training. There are no

interchange of ideas, no informal companionship, and no public gatherings which have an intercollegiate atmosphere. This whole stratum of life in Boston is unorganized and uneffective as a unit.

We shall not in this short message dwell upon the physical advantages which a New University Club will give. They are comparable to the larger athletic clubs in our more prominent cities. What is far more important is that a University Club will stimulate a man to broader interests through the contacts he will make. If it is headed by men of vision with high ideals and with a desire to lead the community in thought, it will become a most important factor in the life of Greater Boston. We have many men in our different groups who have these ideals, without an opportunity to express them in tangible form. We can draw on the entire collegiate United States at our University Club gatherings.

A splendid start in organizing this movement has been made. There is a strong desire in all the different college units to see it through. It only remains for these units to do their work, and success is assured.

The purpose of this brief message is to ask each and every man what a college education means to him. If his ideal is a selfish one, the New University Club will appeal to him only for its physical advantages, for what he can get from others for his own personal gain. If a college education means to him broad contact and an interest in the highest form of social welfare and social development, obviously this can only be secured by concerted action. It is a challenge to you university men of Boston as to whether we shall continue satisfied with the past limitations of our collegiate fellowship or whether we shall unite and enlarge this fellowship both in its breadth of contact and its expression.

Here, then, is the challenge to create a club which rather than a pleasant place to meet and pass the time will be an institution for fostering breadth of thought, kindliness of feeling and which will afford intellectual and moral stimulus to our young and our old men.

If this ideal appeals to you, can you rest until *You* see it accomplished?

The Executive Committee.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE'S PLAN

Location

Corner of Trinity Place and Stuart Street, opposite the Copley-Plaza Hotel.

Cost

Land, building and equipment to cost about $1,800,000.

Plan of Financing

About $1,100,000 to be secured by mortgages. Balance to be secured through sale of ownership certificates to the charter members.

Resident Membership

Limited to five thousand college and university graduates, non-graduates of two years' attendance, and holders of honorary degrees.

Non-Resident Membership

For those whose home and business are located thirty miles or more from City Hall, Boston, a Non-Resident Membership is available.

Forms of Charter Membership

1. Life Membership. One thousand dollar certificate.
2. Senior Membership. One hundred dollar certificate.
3. Junior Membership. One hundred dollar certificate.
4. Non-Resident Membership. Fifty dollar certificate.

Partial Payment

Senior and Junior members may make an initial payment of twenty-five dollars, the balance to be paid in three installments after the plan is declared operative.

Sinking Fund

It is planned to establish a sinking fund which will retire the certificates of the charter members and furnish a market at any time members desire to sell.

Annual Dues

1. Life members shall pay no annual dues until their certificate has been retired.
2. Senior members shall pay fifty dollars a year.

overcome inertia. Time is quickly passing. The option on the land expires in a few weeks. The more who apply early, the more active workers there are. If you have secured two members in the past week, you know how easy it is. If you haven't tried, then please more than make up for it in the next few days.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman Membership Committee

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I hereby apply for Life / Senior / Junior / Non-Resident Membership in the proposed New University Club to be organized in substantial accordance with the prospectus and membership plan set forth in the letter of the Committee of November 1, 1923.

I enclose herewith my check payable to The First National Bank of Boston, Depositary, for

One thousand dollars for Life Membership — Full payment.
One hundred dollars for Senior or Junior Membership — Full payment.
Twenty-five dollars for Senior or Junior Membership — Partial payment.
Fifty dollars for Non-Resident Membership — Full payment

being the full amount (or partial payment) of my subscription to *non-assessable* certificates of participation in the beneficial interest under the building or real estate trust to be organized to acquire and hold premises for a clubhouse.

Graduate of.....Class of.....

Degrees held.....

(If not a graduate)
Attended.....Years.....Class of.....

Business address.....Tel. No.....

Home address.....Tel. No.....

I agree that the committee shall have absolute discretion to accept or reject this application and understand that if the committee shall determine that the Plan above referred to or any modification thereof will not be feasible, the Depositary upon surrender of my subscription receipt will return to me on or before May 1, 1924, the amount of my subscription, less three dollars to be deducted for the committee's expenses.

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SEND APPLICATIONS TO

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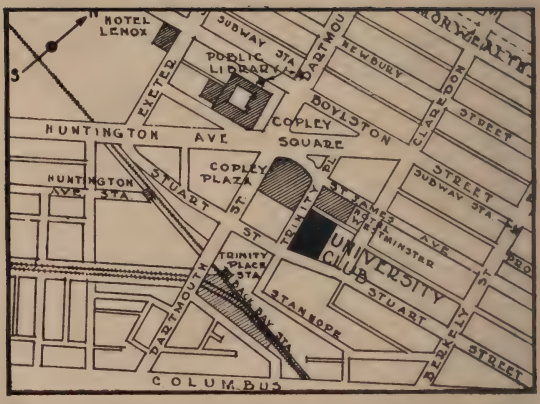

The map above shows the location of the proposed Clubhouse. It is at the head of the new Park Square district, within easy access to the subway stations. It is only a step from the New Haven and Boston & Albany Railroad Stations; five minutes' walk from the theatre section; easy approach for automobiles.

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